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FM AMEMBASSY RANGOON

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AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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PASS AGRICULTURE

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR ETRD BM ID CE

SUBJECT: GUB SUSPENSION OF RICE SHIPMENTS

REF: RANGOON 1791 (NOTAL)

1. GUB HAS SUSPENDED RICE SHIPMENTS TO INDONESIA UNTIL NEXT CROP AND SEEMS LIKELY TO TRY TO AVOID FULFILMENT OF REMAINING COMMITMENT TO SRI LANKA UNDER SINO-CEYLONSE RICE FOR RUBBER AGREEMENT.

2. INDONEISAN COMMERCIAL ATTACHE INFORMED EMBOFF THAT AFTER LEARNING OF RICE CRISIS IN BURMA, JAKARTA OFFERED TO RELEASE GUB FROM COMMITMENT TO SUPPLY INDONESIA WITH 100,000 TONS BY JULY 1974. GUB ACCEPTED OFFER AND PROMISED TO SHIP REMAINDER OF COMMITMENT AFTER 1974-75 CROP HARVESTED (EARLY 1975). INDONESIAN COMMERCIAL ATTACHE REPORTED THAT 60,000 TONS HAD BEEN SHIPPED BY TIM VLHIPMENTS WERE TERMINATED.

3. GUB OFFICIALS HAVE HINTED STRONGLY LDAT LITTLE IF ANY MORE
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RICE WILL BE SHIPPED FROM 1973-74 CROP. DEPUTY MINISTER OF

PLANNING AND FINANCE U CHIT MOUNG SPOKE IN HIS JUNE 26 PRESS
CONFERENCE (REFTEL) OF A "LIKELY FALL IN EXPORT OF RICE," AND
SAID PRIVATELY JUNE 28 GUB IS NEGOTIATING WITH "SOME COUNTRIES"
FOR SUSPENSION OF SHIPMENTS. CHIT MOUNG ADDED THAT GUB WILL
FULFILL COMMITMENTS IF BUYERS INSIST, BUT UNLESS PRC BRINGS

STRONG PRESSURE TO BEAR, WE DOUBT GUB WILL SHIP MUCH MORE RICE
TO SRI LANKA. AS OF EARLY MAY ONLY 46,000 OUT OF THE 100,000
TONS COMMITTED (SHIPMENT TO BE COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER 1974)
HAD BEEN SHIPPED, AND WE DOUBT THAT MUCH HAS BEEN SHIPPED
SINCE THEN.
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